REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Title of Publication: Mike John's Elastic Assholes

Other Known Title: Elastic Assholes #1

Format: DVD Slick

Director/Author: Not Stated

Producer/Publisher: Not Stated

Country of Origin: USA

Language: English

Applicant: Secretary for Internal Affairs

Distributor: Red Light District Video

Classification: Objectionable.

Descriptive Note: Not Applicable

Display Conditions: Not Applicable

Date of entry in Register: 16 November 2006

Date of direction to issue a label: Not Applicable

OFLC No: 602144

Excisions: Not Applicable

Reasons for excisions:

Not Applicable

Summary of reasons for classification:

The DVD Slick entitled *Mike John's Elastic Assholes* is classified as: Objectionable.

The DVD Slick advertises a related DVD with the same name. Both the slick and DVD were submitted by the Secretary for Internal Affairs under 13(1)(b) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 (FVPC Act) to determine whether they were objectionable in terms of s3 of the FVPC Act.

The slick closely focuses on images that reduce women to purely sexual objects to be simultaneously penetrated by several men. The text clearly states that the purpose of the associated DVD is to test a woman's endurance and tolerance of extreme sexual practices for the amusement of men. The other titles advertised on the slick reinforce the idea that women are nothing more than receptacles for men's ejaculate and will submit to all forms of sexual degradation. The extent of this misogynistic content, presented in a static format, promotes the idea that women as a class of persons exist solely to sexually satisfy men who are invited to experiment on them with no regard for their comfort, safety, physical or mental wellbeing.

The classification of this publication interferes with the freedom of expression, but this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications which degrade dehumanise and demean persons to such an extent and degree will be classified as objectionable to protect the public good.